SUBCHAPTER A—ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES

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SOURCE: $66\ FR\ 28961$, May 25, 2001, unless otherwise noted.

§ 1.1 Under what authority was the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs established?

The Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment Standards, by authority vested in him by the Secretary of Labor in Secretary's Order No. 13-71, 36 FR 8755, established in the Employment Standards Administration an Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP) by Employment Standards Order No. 2-74, 39 FR 34722. The Assistant Secretary subsequently designated as the head thereof a Deputy Assistant Secretary for Workers' Compensation Programs who, under the general supervision of the Assistant Secretary, administers the programs assigned to that Office by the Assistant Secretary.

§ 1.2 What functions are assigned to OWCP?

The Assistant Secretary has delegated authority and assigned responsibility to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Workers' Compensation Programs for the Department of Labor's programs under the following statutes:

(a) The Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as amended and extended (5 U.S.C. 8101 *et seq.*), except 5

U.S.C. 8149 as it pertains to the Employees' Compensation Appeals Board.

- (b) The War Hazards Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. $1701 \ et \ seq.$).
- (c) The War Claims Act (50 U.S.C. App. 2003).
- (d) The Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act, Title XXXVI of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001, Pub. L. 106–398 (114 Stat. 1654, 1654A–1231), except activities, pursuant to Executive Order 13179 ("Providing Compensation to America's Nuclear Weapons Workers") of December 7, 2000, assigned to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of Energy and the Attorney General.
- (e) The Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, as amended and extended (33 U.S.C. 901 et seq.), except: 33 U.S.C. 919(d) with respect to administrative law judges in the Office of Administrative Law Judges; 33 U.S.C. 921(b) as it pertains to the Benefits Review Board; and activities, pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 941, assigned to the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health.
- (f) The Black Lung Benefits Act, as amended (30 U.S.C. 901 et seq.).

§ 1.3 What rules are contained in this chapter?

The rules in this chapter are those governing the OWCP functions under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, the War Hazards Compensation Act, the War Claims Act and the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act.

§ 1.4 Where are other rules concerning OWCP functions found?

- (a) The rules of the OWCP governing its functions under the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act and its extensions are set forth in subchapter A of chapter VI of this title.
- (b) The rules of the OWCP governing its functions under the Black Lung Benefits Act program are set forth in subchapter B of chapter VI of this title.
- (c) The rules and regulations of the Employees' Compensation Appeals